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In re application of

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) METHOD OF PACKAGING SOLVENT  
) OR WATER BASED FORMULATIONS  
) TO REDUCE SKINNING

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) Group Art Unit: 5569

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE IN CONJUNCTION  
WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

In response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on November 14, 2003 (the "Office Action"), Applicants make the following amendments and submit the remarks appearing after the amendments. Submitted herewith is a request for continued examination and the associated fee. In addition, this is a conditional authorization to charge any missing fees to Deposit Account No. 23-2126.